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Re: United States Patent Application No. 10/525,931 filed February 25, 2005 entitled "Vehicle-Occupant Fatigue-Level Assessment Method, Vehicle Seat Assessment Method, and Vehicle Seat Assessment Device"  
Our File: 0388-050238

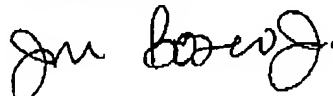
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Dear Sirs:

On March 6, 2007, a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was filed in the above-referenced application after the Notice of Allowance and Fees due was mailed on December 14, 2006. Upon later review, it was noted that the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was sent to MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, but should have properly been sent to MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE. We have, subsequently, paid the Issue Fee on March 14, 2007.

Attached herewith is a copy of the Supplemental IDS that was filed on March 6, 2007, please take the necessary actions to ensure this Supplemental IDS is entered into the application.

Very truly yours,



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Applicants : Koro Uenishi et al.  
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Seat Method, and Vehicle Seat Assessment Device  
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sirs:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, the Applicants hereby submit this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, together with a completed Form PTO/SB/08a, a copy of the Chinese Office Action dated January 19, 2007, one copy of the prior art references thereon, and copies of English-language Abstracts thereof.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on March 6, 2007.

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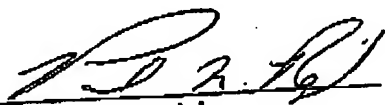
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The references identified on Form PTO/SB/08A were cited in an Office Action dated January 19, 2007, in a counterpart Chinese application and are relevant for the reasons provided therein. A copy of the Chinese Office Action, along with an English-language translation, is enclosed herewith for the Examiner's convenience.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(1), no fee is believed to be due for the submission of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. In particular, the Applicants, through their attorney, hereby state that in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) each item of information contained within this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. The reference cited in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was identified in an Office Action dated January 19, 2007 for a counterpart Chinese application. Nevertheless, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. One (1) original and two (2) copies of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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